

Portland AAU Begins UO Post-Season Track

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Although most of Oregon's athletic teams have hung up their gear for the year, the Duck track squad of Bill Bowerman still has several important meets scheduled.

First on the agenda for Bowerman's Ducks is the Northwest AAU to be held on Portland's Lincoln high school track Saturday. Many of the Duck varsity and freshmen will headline the events. Jim Bailey will step down from the mile and duel it out in the 880 with Gordie Dahlquist and freshman flash Jim Grelle.

Freshmen Send Milers

The freshmen will send a trio of top milers in Grelle, Mark Robbins and Peter McCart. Other Oregon entries include Doug Basham and Richie Curtis in the high hurdles; Jerry Schwartz in the 440; Bob Reid and Jack Burg in the pole vault; Ed Bingham in the javelin and Red Estes and Bob Amble in the discus.

Three of the top events in the AAU test will be in "unusual" events. Since this is an Olympic year there will be races in the 5000 meters, where Bill Dellinger will meet two top NW distance runners in Denny Meyer and Doug Kyle; 400 meter hurdles, in which Webfoot flashes Jack Morris, Don Spinas and Steve Anderson will take part; and in the hop, step, and jump, where Martin Pedigo, Don McClure, and Denny George will compete.

Two National Meets

Following the NW AAU is the big NCAA test in Berkeley, California June 15-16. The meet will

be run entirely in metric distances. Oregon entries will include the Ducks' tireless distance twins Bailey and Dellinger, along with Dahlquist, Morris, McClure, George, and Pedigo.

The week following the NCAA brings the National AAU in Bakersfield, California. All of the Webfoots' NCAA entries will probably be entered in this test. Duck alum Ken Reiser, defending AAU steeplechase champion, now in the Army, will also be there.

The big Olympic trials come June 29-30 in the Los Angeles coliseum. The top six placers in the NCAA meet and the National AAU test will qualify for the trials. The top three placers at the trials will be sent to Melbourne to represent the United States in the Olympics. The two boys from this state with the best chances for making the squad are Dellinger and ex-Duck Reiser.

Possible Olympians

Bailey, of course, is a sure thing to run for the host nation, Australia, and Canadians Reid, Don Steen, and former Webfoot Doug Clement are probable Olympic performers in the pole vault, decathlon, and 800 meters respectively.

Cougars Cop ND Baseball As Webfoots Fall to OSC

Final Northern Division Standings				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
WSC	11	3	.786	
Oregon	8	5	.615	2½
OSC	7	8	.467	4½
Washington	5	9	.357	6
Idaho	4	10	.286	7

Washington State college wrapped up the Northern division baseball crown Friday afternoon by bouncing the Idaho Vandals, 4-1. The Cougar win, coupled with OSC's 11-10 conquest of the Oregon Ducks, clinched the title for the Cougars.

Oregon, who had a slim, though mathematical chance of winning the crown, would have failed to defend their three-year monopoly on the ND diadem even if they hadn't dropped the Beaver encounter. As both teams were rained out in their scheduled Saturday games, the Ducks were beaten anyway.

Oregon was the victim of a 15-hit OSC attack which included three home runs by Beaver veteran, Jerry Exley.

The ball game was a tight pitchers' duel between Oregon

starter, Stan Dmochowsky and Al Guidotti of OSC until the fourth inning.

Oregon coach Don Kirsch used four Oregon pitchers in attempting to stop the OSC onslaught. None of the four, however, could stem the tide.

Terry Maddox, Oregon's slugging left fielder, garnered three of 10 Duck hits and batted in three runs. Exley, Ron Betten-

dorff, and "Twink" Peterson led the OSC hitters with three hits apiece in four official times at bat. Exley was credited with six RBIs.

It was the third time the two ball clubs had met this year. Oregon won the two previous encounters.

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Larry Hughes Tops Frosh Baseballers

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Oregon's Frosh baseball team finished up the 1956 baseball season sporting a fine 9-5 record. Ex-Duck outfielder and catcher Norv Ritchey, in his first year of college coaching, did a good job molding together the many ex-high school all-stars on the team into a strong, well-balanced club.

Larry Hughes led the club in hitting all year long, finishing with a .452 average. The former Eugene high slugger connected for 19 hits in 42 trips to the plate. He pounded out two doubles, five triples, and one homer, batting in 15 teammates. He scored 19 runs himself.

He was followed by two ex-Milwaukie ballplayers, third baseman Bob Sturgis and left-fielder Freddie Lennard. Sturgis hit safely 16 times in 39 appearances for a healthy .410 average. Sturgis led the team with 18 RBI. Lennard finished with a respectable .354 average on 17 hits in 48 trips to the plate.

On the pitching side, four of the team's eight pitchers finished the season with perfect records. Ace left-hander Stan Thompson led the chuckers with a 3-0 record. Thompson had a marvelous record, striking out 36 hitters, while walking only six.

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